

## **CAPITAL CASCADE GREENWAYS - TALLAHASSEE'S CROWN JEWEL OF THE FUTURE**

### **Familiarization Tour of Chattanooga's Greenway Parks and Trails**

**WHAT:** Tallahassee is about to embark on one of its most ambitious plans in its history. Armed with \$70,000,000 made possible by Blueprint 2000 funding, the community is entering the final conceptual design phase for reducing flooding, improving water quality and developing an attractive greenway of parks and trails. The proposed greenway passes through downtown Tallahassee and between our two major universities. The vision of what this greenway can, and should be, must now be committed to the design and planning stage. You are invited to contribute to that process.

Are you well informed and up to the challenge? Are your aspirations for our greenway clear and imaginative? Before the input period closes, and your best visionary skills are submitted, would you like to see one of the best greenway parks and trail systems in the nation? Come join us for a quick inspection of what Chattanooga has accomplished. Their plan not only created an extraordinary greenway, but it revitalized a decayed portion of the city, created a major retail and entertainment center, and brought numerous residents back to live in the downtown market.

**INSPECTION TOUR:** A quick two-day tour.

**WHEN:** Tuesday and Wednesday - October 5 and 6

**TRANSPORTATION:** Delta flight # 416 (7:35 a.m.) Tallahassee to Atlanta - chartered bus Atlanta to Chattanooga - return to Atlanta by chartered bus - Delta flight # 817 (4:01 p.m.) Atlanta to Tallahassee arriving Tallahassee at 4:59 p.m. NOTE: I AM HOLDING A LIMITED NUMBER OF RESERVED SEATS ON THIS FLIGHT. THE PRICE IS \$179.30 ROUND TRIP. THIS FARE WILL NOT BE AVAILABLE AFTER NOON ON TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 7<sup>TH</sup>. IF INTERESTED, PLEASE CALL MY OFFICE AT 907-5185.

**HOTEL:** Stay Tuesday evening at Marriott's new Courtyard Hotel - Downtown Chattanooga. NOTE: I AM HOLDING A LIMITED NUMBER OF ROOM RESERVATIONS FOR THE EVENING OF OCTOBER 5<sup>TH</sup>. THE PRICE IS \$99 PLUS TAXES OF \$16.09. IF INTERESTED, PLEASE CALL MY OFFICE AT 907-5185.

**ATTRACTIONS ALONG THE GREENWAY:** New downtown baseball stadium, new IMAX Theater, children's Creative Discovery Museum, Tennessee Aquarium, Bluff View Arts District, Walnut Street Bridge (one of the tallest and longest pedestrian-only bridges in the nation), riverfront parks, children's carousel, squirting water park for children, 12 miles of walking trails, three dozen new restaurants, four new hotels, new residential condominium projects, and more.

**COST:** Before the trip, you will be billed for the cost of your hotel room and your flight (estimated to be \$179.30 and \$115.09 respectively). The flight is a non-refundable ticket. The hotel can be cancelled up to one week prior to the trip. When checking into the hotel, provide your credit card for incidental charges. Following the trip, you will receive a second bill for a pro-rata portion of the chartered bus charge, Tuesday's and Wednesday's lunches (Wednesday's will be on the bus back to Atlanta), and Monday and Tuesday evening's dinners.

**RESERVATIONS:** IMPORTANT - Airline seating and hotel accommodations are limited. Notify this office early to assure you obtain the lowest airline fares. Reservations can continue to be made following the September 7<sup>th</sup> cut-off, but airline rates most likely will be higher.

**DRESS:** Casual - dress lightly and bring comfortable shoes for walking. During the evening, you may need a jacket. The average high temperature for early October is 76, the average low is 51. You may also want to bring a small umbrella - historically, there is a 12% chance of rain on this date.

**ATTENDING:** As of 10:00 a.m., Monday, August 30, 2004 *(This attendee list will be updated periodically.)*

Dave Ramsay - Chairman and CEO, SunTrust Bank  
Jack Diestelhorst - Owner, Notary Public Underwriters and Chairman, Capital Cascade Council  
John Marks - Mayor, City of Tallahassee  
Anita Favors - City Manager, City of Tallahassee  
Michael Wright - Assistant City Manager, City of Tallahassee  
Michael Parker - Economic Development Director, City of Tallahassee  
Parwez Alam - County Administrator, Leon County  
Cliff Thael - Commissioner, Leon County and Commission Vice Chairman  
Paula Smith - Chairman, Tallahassee Performing Arts Center  
Kim Williams - President, Marpan Supply  
Erin Ennis - Managing Director, Advantis Real Estate Services and President-Elect, Tallahassee Chamber of Commerce  
Bill Law - President, Tallahassee Community College and Chairman-Elect, Economic Development Council of Tallahassee  
Wendy Grey - Trust for Public Land  
Dale Allen - Senior Vice President, Trust for Public Land  
Jeff Wahlen - Attorney, Ausley & McMullen and Chairman, Tallahassee Chamber of Commerce  
Lee Hinkle - Vice President, Florida State University

**TRIP COORDINATOR AND CONTACT:** David Ramsay, SunTrust Bank (850) 907-5185